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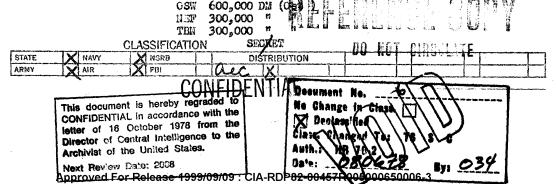
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- Trade union inspector Höppner has been assigned to the OSN by order of the Russians. He is charged with the political indoctrination and education of the workers. The previous leader of the trade union in the plant has been recalled,
- It is expected that Technical Director Lorentz will have to give up his position in the near future, probably in April. Locker, former engineer in charge of planning, is scheduled to be his successor; he will go to a special indoctrination school in Bernau during April,
- The main office of the "Kabel-AG" has been transferred from Berlin-Weissenses to Berlin-Lichtenberg. It is now located in the offices of the former knorr-Bremse plant. The Teissensee offices now house the Russian General Economic Staff, formerly located in Karlshorst.
- It is planned to reorganize the CSN as the central research institute for the Russian Zone.
- The management of the "Kabel-AG" has not yet published its production schedule 5. for 1950.
- The Kabelwerke AG in Berlin-Oberschöneweide is scheduled for transfer to public ownership in the near future. It may be assumed that the methods to be used will correspond to those employed in the recent transfer of Gema-Köpenick which was completely dismantled after the changeover and from which all stores, equipment, and tools were removed. The firm is now to be reorganized under a new name and charged with developing high frequency equipment for the Russian Navy.
- OSW is still having financial difficulties. The need for ready cash has necessitated another sale of 400,000 DM (Ost) worth of stores.
- Investment capital for 1950 is limited to 1.2 million DM (Ost) to be distributed as follows:



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- Since no funds in West-German currency have been provided for the purchase of material and equipment, further production difficulties can be anticipated.
- 10. Personnel distribution at JSW on 1 December 1949.

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Section		Factory Workers	Technicians and Office Workers	Total.	Apprentices	Trainees(unpaid)
l.	Research men vomen	323 64	183 . 59	506 123	हात पात पंतर पंतर पात पंतर	12
2.	Production men women	311 716	143 61	454 777	27	
3.	Technical Branch men women	0 ffice 89 48	1 7 5	106 53	₽₩	
4.	Rusiness Office men women	38 35	72 70	110 105		
5.	Employees' Welfar men women	e Office 2	4 7	4 9		
6.	Cost Accounting men women	74 11	16 10	90 21		
7.	TBN mem women	164 72	98 38	262 11.0	26	
	Directly employed men women	10 30	<u> </u>	12 35 1544	53	12
9.	Total men Women	100 9 978	535 255	1233		

Production and Research

- 11. All preparations for the mass production of tubes RPK and PK2 (Russian nomenclature) were stopped by the Russians without explanation. The sum of 300,000 DM (Ost) had already been invested for equipment and tools for the project.
- 12. The increase in tube production is seriously hampered by the lack of skilled glass howers for quartz glass and machine glass.
- 13. It is anticipated that even the limited tube purchases made heretofore by the Eastern Furppean states will be completely cancelled in the near future. Poland and Czechoslovakia, for instance, get their tubes from the West or from Switzer-land, where American tubes are available at very low prices. According to a recently completed survey, certain tubes which cost 15 DM (Ost) can be purchased for 1 DM (West).
- 14. Current Russian production orders have been reduced by two-thirds. This applies chiefly to radio tubes. At the same time, the sale of tubes to the West, particularly of the L series, has been prohibited.



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- 15. The production potential of the fine wire plant has been increased 100%. Actual production, however, has not changed materially since the previously reported percentage of rejects has not improved.
- 16. The Russians have allocated another 500,000 DM (Ost) for the expansion of the production plan. The funds are to be used for the procurement of tools, machine -tools, and measuring equipment.

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